The Hon'ble Supreme Court in its judgement on 18.10.2000 in the matter of Writ Petition (Civil) No. 319 of 1994 Narmada Bachao Andolan V/s Union of India and others cleared the construction of Sardar Sarovar Dam upto EL 90.0 m and set the mechanism for raising the dam height further *pari-passu* with the resettlement of PAF. As per this procedure, the NCA is to permit the contraction of the dam at every stage after obtaining necessary clearances from the Environment Sub-Group and R&R Sub-Group. The R&R Sub-Group conveys the clearance after consultations with the Grievances Redressal Authroities of the party States. The above mechanism is being followed by the NCA to permit the raising of the Sardar Sarovar Dam height.

**Overdrawing of water by Karnataka**

2997. SHRI RAVULA CHANDRA SEKAR REDDY:
DR. ALLADI P. RAJKUMAR:
SHRIMATI VANGA GEETHA:

Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received complaints that Karnataka was over-drawing water more than its entitlement;

(b) whether Government have sent any team to see the actual position;

(c) whether Andhra Pradesh Government has brought to the notice of Government, the question of Pragodu Project and raising of height of Uppar Tunga across Chitravathi which will adversely affect the drought prone districts of Rayalaseema in Andhra Pradesh; and

(d) if so, Government's response thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) to (d) Yes, Sir. Member, Central Water Commission alongwith Officers to Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh has visited Paragodu Project site on 16th June, 2003. He also held meetings with officers of the State of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad and Bangalore of 15th June, 2003 and 16th June, 2003 respectively and discussed the Paragodu Project on Chitravathi river and Upper Tunga Project in Tungabhadra sub-basin. The Central Water Commission has convened another inter-State meeting on 27.06.2003. at New Delhi under

chairmanship of Chairman, Central Water Commission to sort out the issue where representatives of the Government of Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh were present.

**Ongoing irrigation projects**

2998. SHRI SURENDRA LATH: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Govemment have reviewed the progress of various ongoing irrigation projects in the country;

(b) if so, the State-wise and project-wise details thereof; and

(c) by when these projects are likely to be completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRIMATI BIJOYA CHAKRAVARTY): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) The State-wise details of progress and likely date of completion of the onging projects of various States are given in the Annexure [*See* Appendix 199 Annexure No. 14]

**Review of National Water Policy**

2999. SHRI C.P. THIRUNAVUKKARASU: Will the Minister of WATER RESOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are considering to review the National Water Policy in view its opposition by various NGOs and other institutions;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) if not, the reasons therefor;

(d) whether any progress has been made in the implementation of National Water Policy; and

(e) if so, the details thereof?